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# STATUTORY NOTIFICATIONS OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA AND OTHER ELECTION NOTIFICATIONS

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### NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (ELECTIONS) DEPARTMENT

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BYE-ELECTION TO THE ANDHRA PRADESH LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FROM EAST-WEST GODAVARI TEACHERS' CONSTITUENCY – ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA ORDER REGARDING PRODUCTION OF ELECTORAL PHOTO IDENTITY CARDS OR OTHER ALTERNATIVE DOCUMENTS FOR IDENTIFICATION OF ELECTORS.

(Memo.No.7108/Elecs.D/2024-37, Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, Andhra Pradesh, Dated: 22.11.2024)

The following Order of the Election Commission of India, New Delhi, No.3/4/ID/2024/SDR(Council), dated 21<sup>st</sup> November, 2024 is published:-

### **ORDER**

Whereas, the Election Commission has been following the policy of compulsory identification of electors by means of specified identification documents at elections to the House of the People and Legislative Assemblies from the year 2000 onwards, so as to prevent impersonation at elections thereby making the right of genuine electors to vote under section 62 of the Representation of the People Act, 1951 more effective; and

2. Whereas, keeping in view the provisions of Rules 35(3) and 37(2)(b) of the Conduct of Elections Rules, 1961, the Commission has been issuing directions that the electors at election to House of the People and Legislative Assemblies shall produce their Electors Photo Identity Card or other specified documents at the polling station and failure or refusal on their part to produce those Electors Photo Identity Card or documents may result in the denial of supply of a ballot paper to them and permission to vote; and

- 3. Whereas, the said provisions regarding identification of electors and safeguards against impersonation are equally applicable at election from Teachers' Constituency, and as the electors in these constituencies are also electors in assembly constituencies, they would have been supplied with Electors Photo Identity Card as electors in their respective Assembly Constituencies;
- 4. Now, therefore, after taking into account all relevant factors and the legal and factual position, the Election Commission hereby directs that all electors at the current bye election to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council from East-West Godavari Teachers' Constituency, who have been issued with their EPICs, shall have to produce these cards to exercise their franchise, when they come to the polling stations for voting at the current bye election to the Andhra Pradesh Legislative Council from East-West Godavari Teachers' Constituency, notified on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 (Monday). However, those electors, who are not able to produce their EPICs, will have to produce any of the following alternative documents for establishing their identity:
  - i. Aadaar Card,
  - ii. Driving License,
  - iii. PAN Card,
  - iv. Indian Passport
  - v. Service identity card issued to its employees by State/ Central government, Public Sector Undertakings, Local bodies or other Private Industrial Houses.
  - vi. Official identity Cards issued to MPs/ MLAs/ MLCs.
  - vii. Service Identity Card issued by the educational Institutions in which the electors of the concerned Teachers' / Graduates' Constituency may be employed,
  - viii. Certificate of degree/ Diploma issued by University, in original,
    - ix. Certificate of physical handicap issued by competent Authority, in original,
    - x. Unique Disability ID (UDID) Card, M/o Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India.

By order,

S.B. Joshi,

Principal Secretary, Election Commission of India.

> VIVEK YADAV, Chief Electoral Officer, Andhra Pradesh.